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Subject: Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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Group Art Unit: 2125

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Examiner: KOSOWSKI, Alexander J.

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For: LOCKER SYSTEM, LOCKER CONTROLLING METHOD, CONTROL CENTER, AND  
RECORDING MEDIUM

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004, please kindly consider the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-18 are all the claims pending in the application. These claims stand rejected under a second, non-final rejection. Specifically, claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Moreno (U.S. Patent Publication 2002/0035515), in view of Cayne et al. (U.S. Patent Publication 2002/0147525).

The basis of the rejection is similar to the rejections provided in the February 18, 2004 Office Action using only Moreno. In response to that rejection, Applicants submitted a May 18,